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Presented for filing is a new continuation patent application of:

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Title: AUTOMATIC ASSEMBLY OF VOICE CONTROL INFORMATION

The prior application is assigned of record to Lernout & Hauspie,
a Belgian corporation, by virtue of the chain of merger and assignment documents
submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on February 3, 2001.

Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date
under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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- Preliminary amendment, 8 pages.
- Substitute Specification (705 pages, including Appendices D, E)
- Original Application as filed, including signed declaration
- Appendices A – C
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This application is a continuation (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application Serial No. 09/976,908, filed November 27, 1997, which is a continuation of Serial No. 08/674,341, filed July 2, 1996, which was a continuation of Serial No. 08/450,776, filed May 25, 1995; which was a divisional of Serial No. 08/200,886, filed February 23, 1994; which was a continuation of 08/165,014, filed December 9, 1993, issued as Patent No. 5,377,303; which was a continuation of 07/973,435, filed November 9, 1992, which was a continuation of 07/370,779, filed June 23, 1989. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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